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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN PREPARATIONS FOR G-19 MEETING

1. IN THE COURSE OF A CALL BY EMBOFF AND VISITING NEA/PAB OFFICER MULLIGAN, MFA DIRECTOR (UN), MUNIR AKRAM, SAID THAT PAKISTAN'S CIEC DELEGATE HAD LEFT FOR THE G-19 MEETING IN PARIS WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO TRY TO WORK OUT A SHORT LIST OF TOP PRIORITY ISSUES FOR THE G-19 MEETING. AKRAM SAID THAT PAKISTAN FELT THAT ONE OF THE CRUCIAL WEAKNESSES OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THEIR INTERNATIONAL DISCUSSIONS WAS THE LONG LIST OF TOPICS ON WHICH THEY SOUGHT PROGRESS AT THE SAME TIME. CONSEQUENTLY, PAKISTAN HOPED THAT "FOUR OR FIVE" ISSUES WOULD BE ADDRESSED AS THE TOP PRIORITIES AT THE COMING CIEC HIGH-LEVEL MEETING. PAKISTAN'S PREFERRED LIST OF ISSUES INCLUDED: (1) DEBT RELIEF; (2) MARKET ACCESS FOR LDC EXPORTS; (3) SOME MOVEMENT ON COMMODITIES, TO GIVE "GREATER DIRECTION" TO THE MEETINGS TAKING PLACE AS A RESULT OF UNCTAD; AND (4) "RESERVE ASSETS FOR LDCS," MEANING AN SDR-AID LINK OR SOMETHING LIKE IT.

2. AKRAM ALSO SAID THAT PAKISTAN HOPED THAT THE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING
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WOULD TAKE PLACE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. COMMENT: THE LIST OF PAKISTAN'S TOP PRIORITY ISSUES IS IN GENERAL A PREDICTABLE ONE. THE COMMODITY ISSUE IS NOT OF CRUCIAL IMPORTANCE TO PAKISTAN, BUT IS SO POPULAR WITH LDCS THAT THE GOP PRESUMABLY FELT IT COULD NOT BE LEFT OUT. THE OTHER THREE ISSUES ARE VERY CRUCIAL ONES FOR PAKISTAN. MUNIR'S PRESENTATION BROUGHT

HOME THE CLOSE CONNECTION BETWEEN PAKISTAN'S STRATEGY AT CIEC AND THE THIRD WORLD SUMMIT. HE PRESENTED A RATIONALE FOR USING EITHER A SUCCESSFUL OR AN UNSUCCESSFUL OUTCOME IN PARIS AS A BASIS FOR BUILDING SUPPORT FOR THE CONFERENCE. THE PREFERENCE FOR AN EARLY DATE FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING SEEMS TO BE MOTIVATED IN PART BY A DESIRE TO GET THE PARIS CONFERENCE OUT OF THE WAY SO AS TO GET ON WITH THE THIRD WORLD SUMMIT.

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